

COUNTRY Austria (Soviet Zone)

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TOPIC Soviet Troops in Allentsteir

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[redacted] no signs indicative of an imminent occupation of the troop training grounds were discernible on 24 March. Officers seen walking from the komendatura to the houses along the road to Goeppfritz (O 49/R 64) included 1 lieutenant colonel and 1 major wearing red-bordered black epaulets and 2 lieutenant colonels and 3 majors wearing black-bordered red epaulets. Sedan [redacted] occupied by a soldier with black-bordered red epaulets, stood in front of the komendatura. No traffic by military personnel or vehicles was noticed at the former warehouse of the cooperative at the railroad station. The warehouse was guarded by sentries wearing red-bordered black epaulets. A captain with black-bordered red epaulets got out of the regular train from Vienna. No Soviet mail car was coupled to that train.

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Comment. [redacted] during the time the Doolersheim troop training grounds was occupied by Soviet troops, Soviet mail cars were coupled to the trains from Vienna, which contained the mail for the troops. Most of the units were still at their posts by the end of March 1952. They only conducted brief firing practice with live ammunition outside their posts. [redacted]